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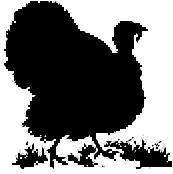
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady. No sales reported. Supplies are held with confidence. Parts and meats trading was fair. Demand was light to moderate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow and centered on a small volume of tom drums, thigh meat and mechanically separated turkey. Buyers remain cautious and selective. Inquiry was moderate. Supplies were adequate to barely adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 06, 2004**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	70-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	72-75	72-75	72.71	340	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	70-73	71-73	72.33	240	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 06, 2004	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	72.41	72.20**	57.50**
CENTRAL REGION	72.80**	71.80**	57.04
WESTERN REGION	72.50**	71.80**	59.10**
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	72.00	71.20**	57.00
CENTRAL REGION	71.50**	71.10**	56.00
WESTERN REGION	71.50**	71.10**	57.20**

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	76-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	78-79

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	120-130

FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT

U.S. GRADE A DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION,
CENTS PER POUND, WEEK OF 09-AUG-2004

	<u>HENS (8-16#)</u>		<u>TOMS (16-24#)</u>	
	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	78.31	175	77.40	25
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED)	78.31	175	77.40	25
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)				
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)		84		42

TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND (IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

June	456,968*
July 1-31, 2004	439,001*
To date 2004	3,255,293*
To date 2003	3,143,670*

* PRELIMINARY

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 31-Jul-2004
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

		YOUNG TURKEYS		TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG	OLD	AVG	
		CHG	LIVE	BANDED	LIVE	
-THOUSAND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT		
North East	828	-8	20.84	(A)	829	20.84
South Atlantic	786	-7	29.12	(A)	787	29.12
North Central	2,158	2	31.64	(A)	2,159	31.64
South Central	516	8	21.09	(A)	517	21.09
West	368	4	23.56	(A)	368	23.56
U.S. total	4,656(B)	-1	27.49	4	4,660	27.49
2004	129,027(B)			200	129,227	
2003	139,609(B)			440	140,049	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 83,000; for the current year to date 1,440,000; for last year to date 1,874,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

W/E 31-Jul-2004

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	THOUSANDS				
Head	1,901	2,672	83	4	4,660
Avg Wt	15.82	35.90	23.88	33.53	27.49
Last week	1,910	2,713	72	1	4,696
Same wk yr ago	2,127	2,752	70	9	4,958
Avg Wt	15.81	35.10	24.51	35.23	26.67
To-date/2004	51,822	75,765	1,440	200	129,227
To-date/2003	55,806	81,929	1,874	440	140,049

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 5 AUGUST 2004.

Light trading centered on spot loads and less than truck lot volumes. Inquiry was most active on limited supplies of fresh and frozen thigh meat and fresh tom drums. Frozen tom drums, v-type wings and necks were available with some sellers more willing to negotiate prices than other sellers. A light volume of tails traded at 32 cents delivered. Frozen mechanically separated turkey with less than 90 days age sold at 14 FOB.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	154.00		154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	31.00-33.00		31.53	19
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		M	33.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	33.00		33.00	14
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00-35.00		34.26	19
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	46.00		46.00	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	47.50	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	79.00	20
NECKS, TOM	17.00-18.00		17.13	16
NECKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	14
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	187.75	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		W	210.00	80
THIGH MEAT		R	77.00	8
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		T	81.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	113.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		T	89.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	168.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		R	186.31	105
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	74.00	15
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00		19.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS				
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	32.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	18.63	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	72.88	130

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 6 AUGUST 2004.

The market tone on fresh and frozen breast meat and destrapped tenders was steady at best. Demand was light for the more than adequate supplies. Fresh and frozen thigh meat were in a close balance and trade sentiment was fully steady. Fresh ground breast trim moved at 119, fresh wing meat at 110, fresh scapula at 106. A fair volume of tom necks were booked at open prices for deferred shipment. Export trading was moderate. Tom necks sold at 17 cents delivered port. Fresh tom drums moved to the border at 31 cents and fresh thigh meat at 81.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	31.00-33.00		31.97	212	31.87	271
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	31.00-32.00		31.27	110	32.00	190
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	33.00	14	32.26	54
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00-35.00		34.50	80	34.70	179
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	46.00	14	46.00	69
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	47.00		47.00	40	48.08	240
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	79.00	20	78.33	60
NECKS, TOM	17.00		17.00	40	17.32	256
NECKS, HEN		R	18.00	14	18.00	14
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	191.00		191.00	40	189.38	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	211.00-213.00		212.12	205	211.79	347
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	80.00		80.00	52	80.43	92
BREAST TRIM MEAT	114.00		114.00	11	114.00	91
SCAPULA MEAT		T	89.00	40	89.00	40
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	168.00	20	168.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	74.00	15	76.53	95
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	187.00-188.00		187.67	60	187.67	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	26	19.00	26
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00-19.00		18.67	120	19.00	200
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	32.00-34.00		33.33	120	33.33	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		W	32.00	80	32.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00		20.00	80	19.08	240
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	78.00		78.00	120	75.34	250

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